

## INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

In international application No.  
PCT/US2004/020703

### Box II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☐ Claims Nos.:  
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
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### Box III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

see additional sheet

1. ☐ As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers all searchable claims.
2. ☐ As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
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4. ☒ No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this International Search Report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:

1-23, 24-58(in part), 59-60

Remark on Protest

- ☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.
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This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. claims: 1-23, 24-58 (in part), 59-60

compounds according to structures (I) and (II), polymers (III) therefrom; membranes, electrochemical cells and electrocatalysts containing these membranes  
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2. claims: 24-58 (in part)

membranes containing small molecules (IV) and electrochemical cells containing such membranes  
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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal, WPI Data, CHEM ABS Data, COMPENDEX, PAJ, BEILSTEIN Data

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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